## Pass Mass Amendment

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## PassMassAmendment's 2015 Initiative Petition

relative to corporate rights and political spending, for a constitutional amendment to the

## CONSTITUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

to declare that

## "Corporations are not people and may be regulated. Money is not free speech and may be regulated."

The Constitution of the Commonwealth is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the following Article of Amendment:

**Section 1-** Corporations are not people and may be regulated. The rights afforded to the human inhabitants of the Commonwealth, under this Constitution, are not applicable to corporations, any corporate entity, or any artificial person. Any references to persons, citizens, inhabitants, subjects, men, women, people, individuals, or like terms in this Constitution, are not to be construed in any way to be referring to a corporation, any corporate entity, or any artificial person. Corporations, any corporate entity, or any artificial person shall do business in this state under the regulation of laws passed by the Massachusetts General Court which shall set the rights of such entities to do business to promote the common good and strengthen the social compact of this Commonwealth.

**Section 2 -** Money is not free speech and may be regulated. To protect our political process and the functioning of government to serve in the best interests of the citizens of the Commonwealth, money shall not be considered free speech. The Massachusetts General Court shall have the power to regulate the raising and spending of money and inkind equivalents for any primary or election of a public official and for ballot measures. This shall include regulation of money for any advertising for or against any candidate in a primary or election for public office and any ballot measure.

**Section 3 -** Nothing contained in this Amendment shall be construed to abridge the freedom of the press.

I, the undersigned agree with the above proposed Amendment language and agree to be one of the original signers of this initiative petition.		
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